

In the Specification:

Page 4, please amend line 18 to read as follows:

- Figs. 5 and 5A ~~is an~~ are assembly views of a portion of this embodiment.
- Fig. 6 shows an alternative arrangement of a portion of the embodiment. –

Page 7, please amend the paragraph at lines 13 to 17 to read as follows:

- An alternative design ~~for~~ of the stanchion 22 22' can include the structure that is shown ~~in ghost line~~ in Fig. 5A, namely, a downward extension 64 of the tubular rail 24, extending below the lower receiver 28, and terminating in a footing plate 66. The stanchions with this additional footing can be used at some intermediate positions where there is a long space between successive posts 12, e.g., distances exceeding about twelve feet. The remaining portions of the stanchion 22' can be the same as in the stanchion 22 of Fig. 5. –